(a) wtether Govenunent have since finidlssd the guidelines for admissions to *pmteaaioBti* colleges and minority Educational Institutions as per the recent judgement of the Supreme Court in this, regard; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER QF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) and. (b) Yes, Sir. The Government has approved Guidelines for regulating admissions and fees in Pro-£essionaI, unaided private Institutions in ctMMonance with the judgements of the Supreme Court in Unnikrishnan Case. These are being shortly issued as AICTE Regjilations under the AICTE Act.

Commantty partidpation in earthquake rehabffltatton work

**478.SHRI* BISHAMBHAR NATH PANDE: Will the Minister of AGRICHLT^RB be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that community pastlcipation in the earthquake rehabilitatioa work in Maharaditra is in full swing and' the programme for rehabilitations is going on at a faster pace; and

(b) if so, by when the rehabilitation of the people affected by the earthquake in 67 villages in the 13 districts of Maha rashtra is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR) : (a) Government of Maharashtra intends organising the construction programme in a man-net that maximises the community and beneficiary participation at various stages. Village level committeies have already been constituted to serve as the grass-root forum for community participation.

Construction work for permanent rehabilitation of earthquake affecied persons is being carried out expeditiously.

(b) Rehabilitation project taken up with the assistance of the World Bank which includes economic, social and infrastruc-mgal reconatruction is expected to be completed by June, 1997.

UNGP study on Huauia Development Index in India

*479. SHRI SUSIHUCUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE :

SHRI RAINI RANJAN SAHU :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether India falls way behind several other developing countries in hunnm development index ratings according to a recent UNDP study as. reported in. the Times of India dated 25th February, 1994*;* and

(b) if so, what is the position; held by India as per HDI ratlins ot UNDP; and how for Government's independent assessment agree with this study ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) and (h) According to UNDP's Human Develcvment Rispoit 1993, India ranks at 134th positiba out of 173 countries in terms of the Human Development Index and as such it does fall behind some developing countries. However, India's. HDI ranking, (134)' is better thara its GNP *ranking* (146). ia-plying thereby that in social scctot, India has done better than its GNP performance. Moreover HDI value of India (0.309) and of South Asia (0.309) is identical.

An important goal of the VIIIth Five Year Plan is human development. Towards this end, the plan allocations in social sectors have been stepped up. Social sectors account for 24158% *ti* the Vlllth Plan outlay as compared with VII Plan outlay of 20.12.%

Construction of underground Railways in Major Cities

*480. SHRI M. A. BABY : Will tha Minister of LTRBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is *anr* proposal under 1 Oovemmentli conskieration to confreat

underground railway in the cities of Delhi, Bombay, Madras, Hyderabad, Bangalore and Kanpur in view of the tremendous tra-fic congestion in these cities and explosive growth of population;

(b) whether Government have already undertaken any survey for underground railways in the above cities and if so, the details therof indicating the result achie ved;

(c) if not, what are the reasons, thereof, and

(d) whether Government would consider the possibility of undertaking the survey in the near future ?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVE LOPMENT (SMT. SHEILA KAUL) : (a) to (d) As far as Delhi is concerned, there is a proposal to introduce 27 kilometres of underground railway as part of Delhi Mass Rapid Transit System (MRTS) pro ject, The proposal is based on a feasibility survey conduct by Rail India Technical & Economic Services. No final decision has been taken about the scheduling of the Mass Rapid Transit System Project which is estimated to cost about Rs 7500/- crores.

In regard to Bombay, Madras, Hyderabad and Bangalore, survey have not indicated the need for "underground railway" since surface/elevated rail systems would suffice.

As regards Kanpur, no feasibility study has been conducted for any rail-based metro transport system. Central assistance to a tune of 40% for undertaking a survey could be considered in the near future if a proposal is received.

COTTON PRODUCTTON

5022. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM : Will the Minister of AGRICTJITURF. be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total quantum cf cotton production in the country and in which part of the country cotton is chiefly grown:

(b) whether any incentive is provided to the cotton growers of the country; and

(c) if so, indicate the total amount of incentive paid to the growers during the period 1992-93 and 1993-94?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) According to the present assessment, the production of cotton during 1993-94 is likely to be about 118.55 lakh bales of 170 Kgs. each. The major cotton growing States are Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab, Rajasthan and Tamilnadu.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Under Intensive Cotton Development Programme (ICDP), amount released by Government of India (75% central share) during 1992.93 and 1993-94 was Rs. 961.7 lakh and Rs. 665.9 lakh respectively. Besides, cottan growers were given enough intensive in terms of higher minimimi iup-port prices which were increased by Rs. 105 and Rs. 100 per quintal during 1992-93 and 1993-94 respectively.

नीम पर आधारित कीटनाशकों का प्रयोग

5023. **श्री अजीत जोगी** : क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि नीम पर आधारित कीटनाशकों के प्रयोग से उन कीटों पर प्रभावी नियंत्रण कर लिया गया है जिन पर वर्तमान उपलब्ध कीटनाशक अप्रभावी सिद्ध हुए हैं; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो नीम पर आधारित इन कीटनाशकों को प्रोत्साहन देने के लिए तथा प्राकृतिक खाद और कीटनाशकों पर आधारित कृषि को लोकप्रिय बनाने के लिए क्या कदम उठाए गए हैं ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एस. कृष्ण कुमार) : (क) नीम आधारित कीटनाशी कुछ ऐसे कीटों और कृमियों के प्रति कारगर पाए गए हैं जिनमें प्राय: कुछ रासायनिक कीटनाशियों के प्रति-रोधक क्षमता देखी गई है ।

(ख) इस संबंध में उठाए गए प्रमुख कदम निम्नलिखित हैं :—

1. नीम आधारित कीटनाशियों के फार्मूलेशन को बढ़ावा देने के लिए पंजीकरण की प्रक्रिया को सरल बनाना;